COLORED MEN'S DEPARTMENT OF INTERNATIONAL Y. M. C. A. GOES TO NEW YORK HEAD-QUARTERS.

(Thompson's National News Bureau) Washington, D. C., Oct. 9.-October first is "moving day" for Washington Office of the Colored Men's Department of the International Committee of the Young Men's Christian As-sociation, which has been maintained for a number of years in this natural center of the Negro's religious and social activities, during the formative period of the great of reaching the unreached

youth of the race. Dr. J. E. Moorland, International Secretary, in charge of the Colored Men's Department of the Y. M. C. A., makes announcement that the office here is to move at once to the General Headquarters in the spacious building, 347 Madison Avenue, in the heart of New York City, A press representative, visiting the 12th St. Branch last week, found the genial Dr. Moorland surrounded by a mountain of books, files and office mis-cellany, with an array of packing boxes, ready to fold up his tent for the larger field of operation that awaits him in the nation's metropolis. awaits nim in the nation's metropolis. Ever ready to take the public into his confidence on matters relating to the plans and purposes of the Y. M. C. A., Dr. Moorland gave an illuminating survey of the work that has been carried on under his supervision, and the reasons which have made a change of base necessary at

this time. He said, in part:

"The growth of the Y. M. C. A.,
work among Colored men in the past
few years has been marvelous. The experimental period has been passed, with results that are both gratifying and inspiring. Now, we must throw aside our swaddling clothes and put on the whole garment of preparedness for the expansion that is to come. The shifting of this office to York is the logical outcome of the increasing importance of this work among Colored youth, and the recognition thus accorded our people by the international authorities is a long step forward-blazing the toward unlimited possibilities for the future. Washington has admirably served its purpose, and now foundation has been laid, firm and deep, the cause is ready to take on world wide proportions. The remarkable enlargement of the work, it is found, requires frequent consultation between heads of departments. and this necessity for a closer point of contract with all the forces that must enter into the system, has led to the concentration of our labors at main fabric the whilom Negro annexo there is no question in my mind that the Y. M. C. A., has taken an advance step as a great Christian or an advance of the control of th

It is understood that the change described refers only to the Wash? ington office, and will not affect the status of the Atlanta office, which be maintained intact under the direction of Secretaries John B. Watson and R. T. Weatherby.

Dr. Moorland will have associated with him in the New York office International Secretaries C. H. Tobias, R. P. Hamlin, H. K. Craft and Robert B. DeFrantz, (the latter in war work) together with an adequate staff of stenographers, clerks and assistants, roster to be added to as circumstaces may require. In the western and southwestern field, with location of office yet undermined, will be Secretary William C. Craver, and others to be named latter. Comprehensive Study of Moral Needs

of Young Colored Men in View. It is planned to make a compre-mensive study of the moral needs of the men of the race, far and near, and to synchronize the Y. M. C. A. standards and ideals in-co-operation with the community service of every locality, covering old fields and mak-ing new ones, to fit into the reconstruction demands of the times. Regin charge, will be established at strategic points in various areas. Recruiting secretaries, who have been doing such effective work at home and overseas, together with the many consecrated men who have kept up the morale of the Colored soldiers in the camps in the face of the most trying circumstances during the war period, will be utilized as far as possible in stimulating this extension policy for the reconstruct-

A significant innovation, empha-sizing the liberal attitude of the Y. M. C. A., is the recent appointment of two leading Colored men on the International Committee at large-the first time the race has been honored with membership in this "inner council" of the organization. The men designated for this important service are Dr. Robert R. Moton, principal of Tuskegee Institute, Alabama, and Dr. Robert E. Jones, edi-tor of the Southwestern Christian Advocate, New Orleans, La. The se-lections are regarded as eminently estisfactory.

Some Benefits The Y. M. C. A. Is Bringing to the Negro People.

Dr. Moorland made a round of the photographs of imposing structures which hung in massive frames upon his office walls, and most interesting-ly pointed out some of the positive benefits that have come to the race through the uplifting influence exer-ted by the Y. M. C. A. centers that have been established throughout the land. He referred with pride to the twelve big buildings-each valued at from \$100,000 to \$200,000—that have been planted in the large cities for the reclamation of young Colored men, who would otherwise have had no place for recreation in a proper moral environment. So popular has the "Y" become as a community cen-ter, several of the most pretentious structures in the large cities have been found to be too small to meet the demands on them, within a year or so after their erection. As an indication of the cordial support that the well-to-do Colored people are giving the movement, Dr. Moorland made note of the fact that the thirty

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and public-spirited Negroes of St. Louis contributed \$58,000 in actual cash toward their magnificient building, and one family-Prof. and Mrs. A. E. Malone—have given outright fully \$10,000 since the Y. M. C. A. effort was inaugurated in the Mound City. This is simply typical of the generosity that is being manifested in many other quarters, added Dr.

tianity is keenly alive and ready for the job that awaits, was most happily exhibited at the recent session of the Chesapeake Summer School of the Y. M. C. A., held at Storer College, Harper's Ferry, W. Va., when more than 100 enthusiastic young men, representing progressive communities from New York to Texas and from Florida to Iowa, came together for the single purpose of preparing to render the largest measure of unselfish service to their follows. With the dynamo in perfect working order at New York, the machiney will move forward with a new vitality and mul-tiplied efficiency.

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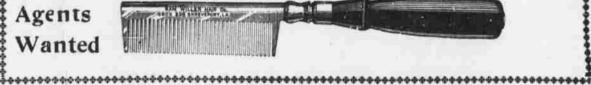
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